

THE SHELTON CHRONICLE

a newsletter for faculty and staff of Shelton State Community College

END OF SCHOOL MEANS A BUSY MONTH AT SHELTON

COBB TO SPEAK AT GRADUATION

Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Sue Bell Cobb will be the speaker for 2001 graduation exercises at Shelton State Community College.

The service will be held Thursday, May 10, at 7 p.m. in the Umphrey Center on the college's Martin Campus.

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A reception honoring Shelton's graduates will be 6 p.m. before the graduation ceremony.

A graduate of the University of Alabama Law School, Judge Cobb was appointed District Judge of Conecuh County in 1981, becoming one of Alabama's youngest judges.

She was elected to the position in 1982 and reelected in 1988. During her tenure on the bench, Judge Cobb accepted trial court assignments in approximately 40 counties.

Judge Cobb was elected to the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals in 1994 and appointed in 1997 by the Alabama Supreme Court to serve as the Alternate Chief Judge of the Court of the Judiciary.

Judge Cobb served as president of the Alabama Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and is a member of the advisory committee of the Children's Trust Fund. She is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the National Juvenile Detention Association, the JPOL Outstanding Service Award, and the Children's Voice Award. She is chair of the Children First Foundation and a lifetime honorary member of the Juvenile Justice Association of Alabama.

A graduate of Leadership

Alabama, she is a Stennis Center Pacesetter. The Alabama Chapter of the National Social Workers Association awarded her the 1999 Public Citizen of the Year Award. She received the 1996 NAACP Political Achievement Award from the Conecuh County Branch NAACP, the 1995 *Montgomery Advertiser* Woman of Achievement Award and the 1992 Judicial Conservationist Award of the Alabama Wildlife Federation. Recently Judge Cobb was named the state winner of the Bishop Barron State Employee Public Service Award.

She is past chair of the Board of Alabama Division of the American Cancer Society and the recipient of the St. George Medal, the highest national award of the American Cancer Society. She now serves on the National Assembly of the American Cancer Society.

HONORS NIGHT SCHEDULED

Shelton's new dean of instruction Mark Heinrich will be the keynote speaker for Shelton's annual

Honors Night ceremony scheduled for Thursday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at the Umphrey Center on the Martin Campus. A reception will be held before the event at 6:30 p.m.

DANCE PROGRAM

Are you stressed out from the week at Shelton? Maybe you're looking for a relaxing way to spend a Sunday afternoon?

The reason doesn't matter. Come out to Shelton State Sunday, May 6. Shelton State's department of dance will present a program at 1 p.m. in the atrium area. Best of all, it's all free! Call Shelton State's Royal Academy of Ballet instructor Louise Crofton, ext. 2317.

"FISHING FOR A CURE"

Be a part of this year's Relay for Life, an event used to raise money to fight cancer. This year's relay will be Friday, May 11, at the University of Alabama Recreational Center. Shelton will have people walking and jogging every 15 minutes beginning at 6 p.m. and continuing through 2 a.m.

Do your part to fight cancer. Call Milady if you want to walk, ext. 2994, and Debbie Hammond if you want to help with the set up for Shelton's part of the event. Our theme for this year is "Fishing for a Cure."

SHELTON FAMILY FUN

Shelton State Alumni Association will host a Family Fun Night Friday, May 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Bama Mini Golf on Hiway 69 South.

The Alumni Association will furnish pizza and soft drinks at 6:30 p.m. Discounts for miniature golf for the evening will be given by Bama Golf. Bring your entire family or just yourself! Come out and have a great time and support your alumni association. Call ext. 2252 or 2221 for reservations.

MEET THE NEW DEANS

Mark Heinrich, formerly with Carson Newman College of Jefferson City, Tennessee, is the new dean of instruction for Shelton State. Lyda Black and Camille Cochrane are new associate deans.

Heinrich was at Carson-Newman 21 years and was vice president for academic affairs. Heinrich received his B.S. degree from Tennessee Technological University in 1975 and his M.A. in 1976. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Alabama in 1980.

While in graduate school at the University, Heinrich was an academic counselor for the athletic department under Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant from 1978-1980. He was also UA's tennis coach from 1978-1980.

Heinrich is a member of the Tennessee Psychological Association, the American Psychological Association and is certified by The State Board of Examiners in Psychology and licensed by The Health Related Board to Practice Psychology

in the State of Tennessee.

Committed to the team approach and the quality movement, Heinrich believes several issues facing Shelton State over the next few years will include distance learning, the Internet, enrollment management and dual-enrollment.

According to Black, whose official title is now Associate Dean of Instruction for the technical division, it is crucial for technical education to remain on the radar screen of West Alabama. "To attract new students, we must continue to adopt to their needs through an updated curriculum and an inter disciplinary approach to the subject matter," Black says.

One of her first actions will be to make sure all faculty have computers in their offices. "Our biggest challenge," according to Black, "will be ensuring that Shelton State is a dynamic place where teaching and learning take place."

Black finds a broad difference between her old and new responsibilities. As division chair, she was responsible for the office administration program and faculty. As associate dean, her job is to bring people together in all technical areas.

For Camille Cochrane, the new associate dean of academic services, the biggest difference between her old and new position is that she now represents all departments equally. "I'm now a cheerleader and champion of all academic programs, not just math," Cochrane says. "I want to help the college reach its overall goal."

Cochrane sees her new position as one of support for the students and faculty. "My role is to help the academic faculty get the resources they need. Now that we are settled in our new facility, it's up to all of us to promote ourselves, both academically and technically, to become one of the top 25 two-year colleges in the United States," she says.